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Survey and Settlement

Postponement of new settlement operations in Malabar.

* 157 Q.—Mr. V. P. NARAYANAN NAMBIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government contemplate placing the land revenue settlement on a permanent basis; and

(b) whether the Government have considered the desirability of postponing new settlement operations in Malabar and other districts until the present financial situation improves?

A.—(a) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to clause (a) of question No. 111 on the 4th September 1928.

(b) The Government do not think it desirable to suspend or postpone any resettlement that is now due or in progress.

Proposal for resurvey of South Kanara district.

* 158 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government are contemplating again a resurvey of the whole of South Kanara district; and

(b) if so, why the proposal which was once given up is being reconsidered?

A.—(a) & (b) No such proposal is under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"May I ask whether the Survey Department has been making any attempt recently to get the Government to sanction the resurvey of the whole district?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—"The Government are not aware of it."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"May I know whether the Survey Department has been pressing for a resurvey of the district?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—"We have had no recommendation to that effect."

Village Establishments

Posts of Assistant Karnams in certain villages of Bellary district.

* 159 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the beriz and number of survey fields and total extent of each of the villages of Siruguppa, Desanur, Kuditini, Kanekal, Kamalapuram and Hospet of Bellary district;

(b) whether at any time each of these had an assistant karnam and a head karnam; and

(c) when the post of assistant karnam was abolished and why; the pay of the assistant karnam and head karnam respectively at the time of the abolition of the second post; the pay of the karnam now in charge of each of the above villages; and

(d) whether it is the same as that of the karnam of the smallest ryotwari village of the district?

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A.—(a) A statement is annexed.[a]

(b) Except Hospet all the villages referred to in clause (a) had formerly an assistant karnam and a head karnam.

(c) The post of assistant karnam was abolished in 1922 as it was not necessary. An assistant karnam on Rs. 14 was sanctioned in 1928 for Siruguppa village.

The pay of both the assistant karnam and head karnam at the time of the abolition of the post of assistant karnam was Rs. 15 per mensem.

The pay of the karnams now in charge of Kamalapuram, Kuditini and Hospet is Rs. 14 per mensem each; the pay of the karnams of the other villages referred to in clause (a) is Rs. 15 each.

(d) The pay of the karnams of all other ryotwari villages is Rs. 14 per mensem each.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"In view of the fact that one man is doing the work of two men, may I ask whether the Government will compensate such persons for their extra work, by increase of pay?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"The pay has no doubt been fixed according to the usual principles."

Diwan Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Mudaliyar :—"May I know whether a uniform pay of Rs. 15 will be fixed for all the karnams and assistant karnams?"

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"May I enquire the principle on which the pay of Rs. 15 was fixed in one case and the pay of Rs. 14 in some other cases?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"I must ask for notice."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—"May I ask the hon. the Revenue Member why these rates were not fixed on a uniform scale? I find in some places higher pay is given."

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"These rates were fixed on certain principles."

Diwan Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Mudaliyar :—"May I know whether the Government will consider the question of fixing a uniform rate?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—"It is not desirable to fix a uniform pay for all karnams; the rates are fixed in each case in accordance with certain general principles."

Civil Justice

Disposal of pending suits in the Additional Subordinate Judge's Court in South Kanara.

* 160 Q.—Mr U. C. Subbahmanya Bhatt : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the continuance of the Additional Subordinate Judge's Court in South Kanara beyond December 1930 is unnecessary;

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[a] Printed as Appendix IV on page 415 infra.